



#### Clarkston, Washington

"The City of Personal Service"

The Clarkston Chamber of Commerce is extremely proud of our progressive community in Southeastern Washington. As you read the following pages, explaining the story of our community, we hope that you will begin to share our enthusiasm.

The Clarkston Chamber of Commerce has been given a unique responsibility by its expanding general membership to assist in the long range plans of the business and professional community and also to act as the forum for discussion and decision making involving the many governmental entities that direct our exciting future.

This condensed description of our community and business activities may serve to indicate the pride that the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce has in our part of the state. Our valley and the surrounding community is rich in history, geographically spectacular, and is blessed with a mild and invigorating climate. Our potential for growth is better than at any time in the past 50 years. Visitors will find a friendly community with good schools, clean streets, comfortable parks and a business district committed to "personal service".

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#### Developing to Meet the Future

In years past it was believed that because of its climate, location, people, and the river, Clarkston was on the brink of a big growth era. With the slackwater, created by dams on the Snake River, opening a water transportation route to the Pacific Ocean and beyond; with lots of ideal water frontage for industrial development; with land available for housing: with ideal locations for businesses (stores, shops, restaurants, motels and service stations); with the desire of the people to welcome newcomers to the area; with expanding

#### No Other Alternative But to Grow and Develop

agricultural production, lumber and lumber-by-products and minerals waiting to be mined, Clarkston had no other alternative but to grow and develop.

And grow it did. The area's development over the past five years has not been, as in other areas, sudden and chaotic. Instead it was steady and organized. To judge Clarkston's growth and development, one only has to look around. The first thing you might notice are the new bridges — one completed, Redwolf Bridge, and the other, the new Lewiston-Clarkston Bridge presently under construction. However, new bridges are far from the only things you will see. There are new office and financial buildings which either have been constructed, are under construction or are in the planning stages for Clarkston's 5th and 6th Streets and other areas. New housing developments are also evident





throughout the city and the area. The area's growth can also be measured by the new businesses that have located or are planning on locating at the Port of Clarkston and the Port of Whitman County, Wilma Site. Construction at the Port of Clarkston, to update its shipping operation from a roll-on roll-off to a lift-on lift-off dock, was completed during the summer of 1981. The Port has also increased its barge tie-up area.

The area has also experienced some subtle changes which are not as noticeable to the eye, but nevertheless are good indicators

of growth and development. Clarkston's boundaries have expanded recently with the annexation of property on its northwestern edge. The city has added new life support equipment and personnel to the fire department. In 1980 a new branch library was opened in the Clarkston Heights area. Imagination, ingenuity, investments and belief in the future were the key elements behind Clarkston's growth and development these past years; and they will continue to play an important role in the years ahead.

#### Community Spectrum

LOCATION:

Confluence of the Snake and Clearwater Rivers

**ELEVATION:** 

730 feet

**COUNTY:** 

Asotin

**POPULATION:** 

Greater Clarkston area

15,000

**CLIMATE:** 

Average Summer-

75 degrees

Average Winter-

38 degrees

**RAINFALL:** 

13 inches

SCHOOLS: Elementary—3 (K-5)

Middle—1 (6-8) High—1 (9-12)

Community College—1 Parochial—1 (1-8)

PARKS:

City—4; City of Clarkston purchases park service

from City of Lewiston Park and Recreation Department.

**EMPLOYMENT:** 

Normally High

**HEALTH CARE:** 

Tri-State Memorial Hospital, 62 beds, Clarkston, WA

St. Joseph's Hospital, 125 beds, Lewiston, ID

3 Nursing Homes Ambulance Service

purchased from Lewiston

NEW

**CONSTRUCTION:** 

1980-\$3,354,808

**CHURCHES:** 

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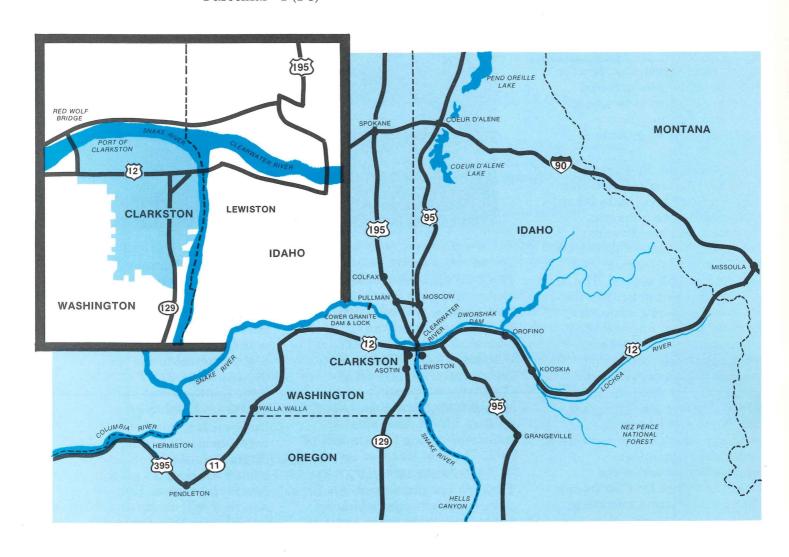
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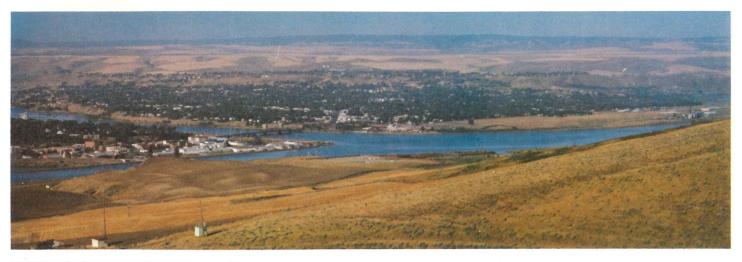
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#### Early History And Development

Lewis and Clark came this way in 1805 and wrote in detail about the rugged beauty of the land and rivers. Had they been modern day industrial scouts they would have been looking for potential plant sites, river ports, shipping possibilities, housing facilities or space, recreational potential for employees and all the essentials for ideal settlement. They would have been looking not only for what was available at present, but for the years to come. They would have been ecstatic about the prospects.

Asotin County was settled in the early 1870's, with most of the population living to the south of the future site of CLARKSTON. This was in the rich and wooded flats of the foothills of the Blue Mountains high above the Snake River. What was to become the largest town in Asotin County. strangely was the last to be settled. Strange because being bordered on two sides by the Snake River, Jawbone Flats as this area originally was known, was without water. Thought by many that this particular area

would never be developed, it was shunned.

In 1895, a Northern Pacific engineer, E. H. Libby, saw industrial, residential and agricultural possibilities in the area. One of the financial backers of the \$300,000 irrigation canal project from Asotin Creek, was Charles Francis Adams, direct descendent of John Quincy Adams. That's all it took — water — and changes started taking place and have continued to change and develop since. As the arid land drank deeply of the water, orchards were planted and

#### It soon became the fruit basket of the region

it soon became the fruit basket of the region. Improved land was selling for \$1,000 per acre and by 1903, where just one lonely cabin stood only eight years before, the area now boasted of a population of 2,000. In 1899, the name of the town that developed there was changed from Concord to Clarkston in memory of William Clark of the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

In 1896, a steel wagon bridge was constructed over the Snake River, linking Lewiston, Idaho with Clarkston, and the two cities have played dual and integrated roles since. This gave Clarkston access to rail facilities in Lewiston and Clarkston has continued to grow as a commercial and light industrial center. With the harnessing of

the lower Snake River its total potential is just being recognized.

Water turned the barren terrain into producing land. Producing land brought people — people brought money and ingenuity to the area. The natural resources of the area; land, rivers, climate, location were soon being harnessed into a teamwork of production. Long before the birth of Clarkston, steam wheelers were plying the waters of the Columbia and Snake Rivers to Lewiston and on up the Snake many miles. Commerce was brisk for the several navigation companies who brought people and cargo to the inland towns and returned with grain, fruit, ore, furs, domestic animals, lumber, and much more.

Times and needs bring community changes. These changes bring new life styles. Slowly the agricultural scene gave way to commercial, and merchants came to build a viable trading post. The trading post grew into a town as "outsiders" liked the location, weather and the neighborly fashion in which business was done.

Perhaps the name "Banana Belt" had some magnetic attraction to newcomers as this slogan was first used by the early day cattlemen who wintered their herds in the Snake River brakers and sheltering slopes in the mid 1800's. For many reasons people arrived and built a town.

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#### CITY of CLARKSTON

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#### CLARKSTON—"THE CITY OF PERSONAL SERVICE"

Welcome to Clarkston, the "Banana Belt" Capital of the Northwest. Whether you are a visitor, a newcomer or a prospective resident we hope your stay will be pleasant. If we can be of any service to you please let us know.

#### City Qualities

Clarkston, "The City of Personal Service", has not been idle as the area around it developed and grew. Over the last few years, the boundaries of the City have expanded as new property was annexed. In 1979, the Port of Clarkston with its readily available commercial and industrial land and deep water frontage area was annexed. A year later, additional property directly west of the Port was also brought into the City.

Not only has the City grown due to new annexations, it has also continued to expand services to its residents. The operational capability of the City Fire Department was expanded when two emergency medical vehicles and the trained personnel to operate them became part of the department.

The City has the mayor-council form of government with its seven councilmen being elected at large for four-year terms. Terms of office for the councilmen are staggered. The mayor is also elected for a four-year term.

Appointed city officials include the City Treasurer, City Clerk,



Police Chief, Fire Chief and Public Works Director. Streets, sewer and sanitation are the responsibility of the Public Works Director. Electricity, natural gas and water are services provided by the Washington Water Power Company. Telephone service for city residents is provided by Pacific Northwest Bell.

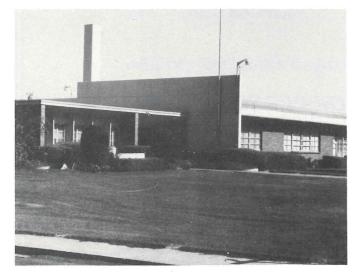
The City employs about 42 full-time personnel. In addition to these, part-time and volunteer people nearly double this figure. Both the Police and Fire Departments have volunteer programs which provide the City with well rounded, well organized protection.

The Police Department has 16 full-time employees with six patrol units and a volunteer force

working closely with the full-time officers. The Fire Department maintains three pumpers, two emergency medical vehicles, and averages 600 fire and medical emergency calls per year. They also supply advanced life support for both the City and Asotin County.

The City budget for 1981 was nearly \$2,200,000.

The City Recreation Department purchases the services of the Lewiston Park and Recreation Department and has a well rounded year-round program of activities. The City's four parks provide excellent playgrounds, picnic areas, a swimming pool, beach and water access, and tennis courts for residents and visitors to enjoy.





#### The People

The people of Clarkston are not only industrious, but enjoy, participate in and support civic projects throughout the year. Among these civic organizations are the Valley Arts Center, Civic Arts, Inc., and the Lewiston Civic Theatre.

The Valley Arts Center is a non-profit art gallery-school located at 842 - 6th Street in downtown Clarkston. It was formed from the Fine Arts Committee of the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce and is operated by a 17 member board of directors. The gallery-school is entirely staffed by volunteer help and is open to the public at no charge.

The art school portion of the center is working through the Clarkston Branch of the Walla Walla Community College for accreditation which would allow it to offer a program leading to an Associate Degree in Applied Arts — a two year degree in commercial art. Students presently receive credits for courses completed at the art school.

In addition to exhibiting all forms of fine art such as oil and water colors, wood carvings, sculptures and pottery, the gallery-school provides instruction in all forms of art. While professional artists may exhibit in the main gallery, local artists are encouraged to exhibit their work each month.

In addition to sponsoring traveling theatre productions to the valley, the Civic Arts, Inc. also sponsors workshops in the local schools to provide a variety of art events in the community. The Lewiston Civic Theatre, Inc. is a community theatre using local talent in their productions.

Five shows and a summer musical are presented each year. Nearly all service clubs are represented in Clarkston and each has its civic project. If a special need arises, the word is spread and volunteer help is ready to meet the challenge.

#### Asotin County Library

The present Asotin County Library has been serving the literary needs of Clarkston and county residents since its dedication back in 1913. The main library is located at the corner of Chestnut and 6th Street in Clarkston and was founded as one of the Carnegie Public Libraries.

The library system now consists of the main library, two branch libraries and one station. The newest branch library is located in the Clarkston Heights area and opened its doors in 1980. Library patrons have access to

26,000 books covering non-fiction, fiction, and speciality areas like childrens books, religion, science, history, philosophy and fine arts. Patrons can also checkout art prints and records. The library's present record collection contains around 350 albums about half of which consists of classical music. The library also sponsors a summer reading program for children in grades two through six in an effort to encourage their interest in reading.







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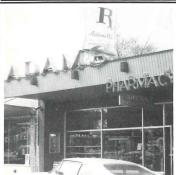
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#### Clarkston School System

Clarkston has a tradition of pride in its public school system and a history of support for its endeavors. A certificated staff of over 150 and a classified staff of over 50 devote their efforts to providing a quality educational experience for the children they serve. The community can be proud of this highly trained, dedicated and talented staff and of the harmonious working relationships that exist. In addition to a fully accredited kindergarten through grade twelve program, the district

#### **ELEMENTARY**

impaired and the physically and

operates several special programs

to meet specific disabilities as

well as programs for hearing

mentally handicapped.

Three elementary schools provide modern facilities and programs for students from kindergarten through grade five. A strong emphasis on basic skills, up-todate materials, a varied curriculum and special programs to meet unique needs of some





children all blend to provide a child with a strong start in his formative years.

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Lincoln Middle School, the district's newest, houses grades six through eight and provides a fully accredited program. The Middle School is an upward extension of the elementary program and philosophy where students in the process of maturing can reach out, grow and explore their abilities.

#### HIGH SCHOOL

Grades nine through twelve attend Clarkston High School, a substantially new facility. It is a fully accredited comprehensive high school with a broad range of offerings in academic and vocational areas. In addition to a strong educational program designed to help each student develop and find an outlet for his abilities, the high school works diligently to provide a variety of activities and programs for young men and women.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Clarkston School District provides extra curricular activities in numerous areas. School athletic teams such as football, basketball, track and baseball have been league champions and state tournament participants. The CHS band is one of the finest in the area. The

drill team consistently wins in statewide and area competition. The choral music, drama and debate programs enjoy broad participation and considerable success.

#### VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Clarkston School District offers vocational training in business, agriculture, metals, woodworking and health occupations. The vocational agriculture program is considered by many people to be one of the best in the state.

#### Walla Walla Community College

The Clarkston Branch of the Walla Walla Community College began its full-time programming in 1974 with an enrollment of 700 full- and part-time students. Enrollment at the college has grown considerably in the eight vears that it has served the community. The 1980-1981 enrollment was up to 4,000 fulland part-time students. As part of the Walla Walla Community College outreach system, the Clarkston Branch has full accreditation. The Clarkston Branch has academic transfer agreements with all fouryear schools in Washington. A wide range of workshops and short courses for those already

employed and seeking further training and experience are offered.

The Clarkston Branch also has a full-time (ten month) Licensed Practical Nursing program which enrolls 20 to 25 students each year. This program, when completed, will serve as the first year of a two- or four-year registered nursing program. All credits are transferrable.

In September of 1980, a selfpaced Business and Office Occupations program was started with over 300 full- and part-time students. Courses added in 1981 included machine transcription, data processing, typing, business math, office machines and a series of one credit courses related to office procedures.



The college also serves 60 handicapped persons many of whom enter or re-enter society as full-participants. Others are able to leave a sheltered, institutional environment and take up residence in the community with minimal or no supervision.



### Shopping and Dining

Merchants in Clarkston are providing service and merchandise that leaves the shopper with a feeling of satisfaction. General merchandise stores, clothing boutiques, furniture stores and specialty shops make shopping convenient and fun in Clarkston. The shopper has plenty of offstreet parking and there are no parking meters to worry about. The merchants pride themselves on their trained staffs to provide the most courteous service. Whether its 6th Street, Bridge

Street, Diagonal or any of the nearby shopping centers, the customer can feel at ease with their shopping.

Whether it's a fast food lunch or a gourmet dinner, Clarkston has the places and the settings. With plenty of parking, the businessman can enjoy the finest of comfort for that business lunch or dinner. The family can enjoy cuisine from steak to lobster, in some of the best equipped restaurants in the area. The traveler must make it a point to stop and eat in Clarkston. And what's more, motel accommodations are modern and reasonable. No need to just pass through on your way to somewhere else. Stay one night, enjoy the shopping, eating and recreation that is available here.





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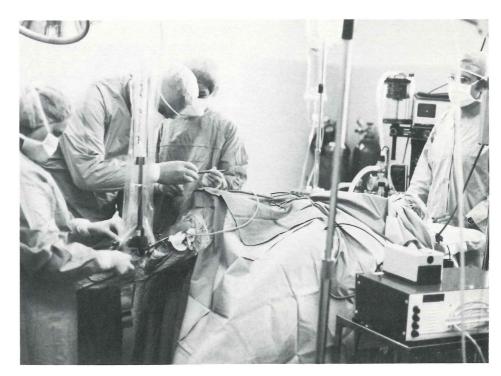
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#### Medical Services

Tri-State Memorial Hospital celebrated its 25th Anniversary in July of 1980. The choice of 11.2 acres for a new Clarkston hospital, made by the site selection committee more than 26 years ago, has proved to be a provident decision. There is ample and convenient parking space for both visitors and employees. Doctors' offices, the Tri-State Convalescent Center, the Owl Pharmacy, the anatomical laboratory, physical and speech therapy facilities, Family Health Counseling Clinic. Alcohol Resource Center and helicopter site, have made the area immediately joining the hospital into a convenient medical complex.



Tri-State Hospital is known for its friendly, personal patient care and its fine medical and nursing staff. There are 58 physicians on the staff at Tri-State Memorial Hospital in the following medical practice: Allergy & Immunology, Anesthesiology, Dentistry, Dermatology, Family and General Practice, General Surgery, Internal Medicine/Cardiology, Obstetrics/Gynecology,

TRI-STATE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL is a 62 bed non-profit hospital serving Clarkston, Lewiston and the surrounding area. The hospital's optimum health care meets the physical and spiritual needs of each patient with respect to human dignity and individual rights. The medical complex adjoining Tri-State Hospital includes the anatomical office of the Pathologist's Regional Laboratory, Tri-State Convalescent Center, the Alcohol Resource Center, Physician's Physical Therapy, Speech Pathology Service, Family Health Counseling Clinic, a site for helicopter transport to a Spokane hospital and physician's offices.



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The Intensive and Coronary Care Unit has direct street level access for immediate admission by ambulance. The rooms are spacious, pleasant and light with a window view for each patient. Continual advances in technical nursing skills and equipment for cardiac monitoring, pressure monitoring, resuscitation and defibrillation keep the unit abreast of the latest techniques in coronary care. The unit now

has three coronary care beds, three intensive care beds and two telemetry units for remote control coronary monitoring.

The new diagnostic radiology system, installed at Tri-State Hospital, July 1981, is the most modern and efficient available. This versatile system handles a wide variety of standard and advanced procedures: diagnostic radiographic and flouroscopic studies, mylelography and linear tomography.

Tri-State memorial also sponsors or supports the following programs: a quarterly Douglas Arthritis Clinic, Asotin County Cancer Society Ostomy Group, Colorectal Clinic, Diabetes Classes, Meals-on-Wheels and Pre-natal Classes.

#### Gerontology Council

The Gerontology Council of Clarkston was organized in 1956 and as such became the first senior citizens club formed in the northwest.

The Council, located in downtown Clarkston, has a membership of over 700 persons from Clarkston, Lewiston and the surrounding area. This selfsufficient organization has never accepted funds from county, state or federal agencies since its beginning 25 years ago. Even so, the organization manages to open its doors daily for anyone desiring to use its facilities. Part of the Councils overall program includes a telephone reassurance service for persons confined to their homes. Daily phone calls are made to these shut-ins and if there is no response, a neighbor or relative is called to check on the individual. Another part of the program includes an information referral service through which elderly persons calling in can have their yards mowed, windows washed or other chores completed. Activities sponsored by the Council include twice weekly dances, daily pinochle and pancake and potluck dinners monthly.

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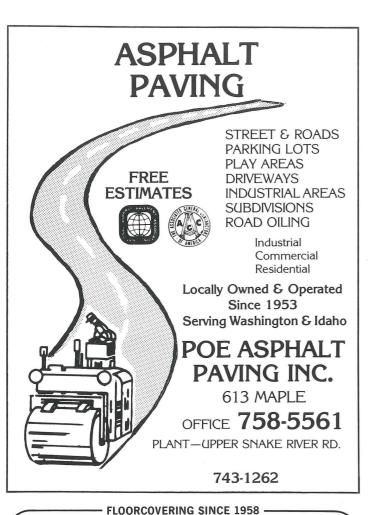
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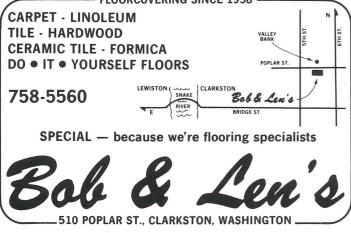


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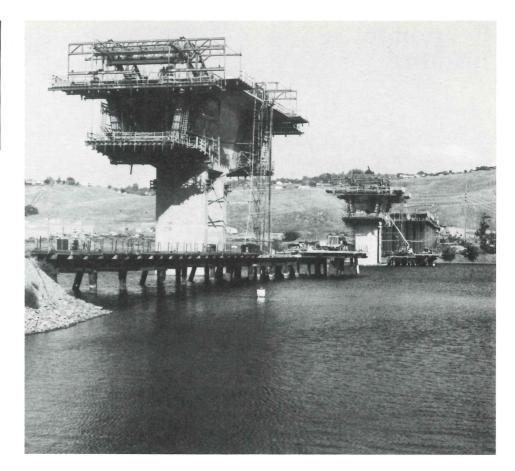
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#### New Bridge Under Construction

The importance of a bridge connecting two points has never been more evident than it is at Clarkston. The original bridge which spanned the Snake River connecting Clarkston and Lewiston served as a vital link between the two cities as well as two states. The existing lift span bridge, which presently crosses the Snake, has served the two communities well, but no longer can meet the demands of road and water transportation that recent progress has brought about.

Being a lift span bridge, when the span is lifted to allow boats to proceed, it increases the distance between Clarkston and Lewiston from one-quarter mile to over seven miles.

In early February of 1980 construction on the new Lewiston-Clarkston Bridge



began. Completion of this \$21 million project has been scheduled for fall of 1982. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is overseeing the project which will be located approximately 1.7

miles upstream from the present bridge. The new bridge will rise to a height of 70 feet above the waters of the Snake allowing barges and other water craft to proceed without delaying traffic.



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### Economic Lifeline

The Snake River is the chief tributary to the Columbia River. It rises in Wyoming near the Continental Divide in Yellowstone National Park and before it reaches its destination some 1,038 miles away, where it dumps into the Columbia at Pasco, it has flowed in all four directions of the compass.

It's a relentless river with many personalities, always pushing toward its destination. Certain stretches of its winding turning course are placid and one could hardly believe the same river could be so relentless as it tears its way through 40 miles of Hells Canyon, one of the natural wonders of the country.

The river turns northward at the Oregon border and forms 170 miles of the boundary between Oregon and Idaho and then between Idaho and Washington until it reaches Clarkston. Here the Clearwater River joins it for the rest of its journey to the Columbia.

Dams constructed on the upper Snake (upriver from Clarkston) have helped tame the angry river and in so doing have provided new sources of power and recreation. Where at one time stern wheelers fought their way up the river, now powerful motor boats of all sizes and descriptions move along the waterway.

Downriver from Clarkston, the series of dams and locks that have been built on the Snake, which ties in with the Columbia River system, has created for Clarkston the distinction of being the most inland seaport in Washington. Ocean going barges are seen regularly at the Port of Clarkston and Whitman County, Wilma Site. A whole new era is in its infancy.

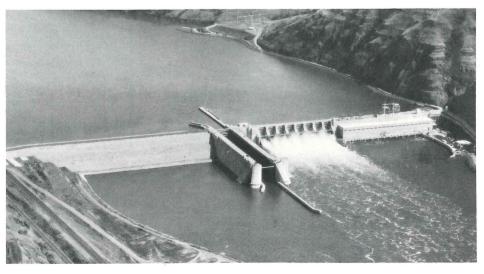


Development of the shipping industry in and around Clarkston can be illustrated by reviewing the increases in tonnages that have passed through the Lower Granite Lock since its completion in 1975. Lower Granite Dam and Lock is located about 33 miles downstream from Clarkston.

During its first year of operation close to 166,000 tons passed through the lock. Over the next four years the tonnages steadily increased until it reached the 1979 total of a little over 1,400,000 tons. From 1979 to 1980 things took a dramatic leap as the tonnage moving through the lock nearly doubled to 2,218,357 tons.

Over the last few years work on power generating units at both lower Granite and Little Goose Dams have been completed. Each dam now has six generating units producing electricity to meet present and anticipated future needs.

Since the completion of the dams and locks on the Snake, the River has become a lifeline for the area. Not only does it supply water for generation of electricity, it also supplies water for irrigation. In addition, its now navigable waterway has produced a reliable transportation route linking Clarkston to the Pacific Ocean. When assessing the total benefits derived from the now tamed river, one can not overlook the many recreational opportunities it now affords. Swimming, fishing, power boating, sailing have all become more popular as a result of the slackwaters coming to the area.



#### Port of Whitman County Wilma Site

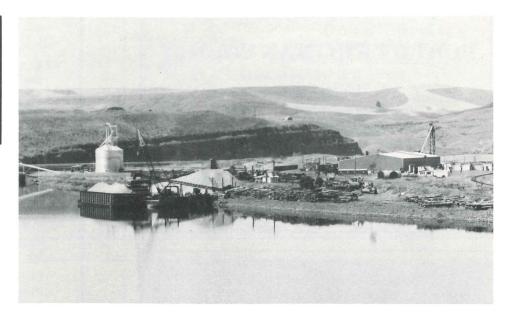
The Port of Whitman County, Wilma Site, like its neighbor the Port of Clarkston, was founded in 1958 by voter approval. Both Ports experienced the same long wait before the slackwaters of the Snake River arrived in 1975 bringing with it and opportunity for further development.

While the coming of the slackwaters sparked commercial and industrial development at the Port, it wasn't until 1979 when the Redwolf Bridge was completed that development at the Port really started to move. Since the construction of the bridge, five new businesses including a planer mill, a grain handling operation, a wood chip manufacturing firm, a barge

#### WATERS SPARKED DEVELOPMENT

construction firm, and a premix batch plant have established facilities at the Port. Other businesses located at the Port include a wood products shipping firm, a container shipping and petroleum storage firm, and a rock crushing firm.

The Port has 250 acres divided into 24 separate sites over 90 percent of which are under lease or option. Water and sewer are available for each of the 24 sites. The Port is also served by rail. barge and that portion of Steptoe Canyon Road (SR193C) completed along the Snake River. The river, bridges, roads and ports mean new commercial and industrial activity which translates to new jobs, and a better economy for the area. This also means growth, and that is what the whole area can look forward to in the years to come.



#### Steptoe Canyon Road/ Redwolf Bridge

Since pioneer days the residents of Clarkston and Asotin County have dreamed of a route to the north toward Spokane, entirely in the State of Washington. The most direct and practical way has always been the route used by Colonel Steptoe during his escape from the famous Indian battle in 1858. Early settlers also used Steptoe Canyon to move people and goods from the Palouse plateau to the valley and Snake River.

Even though the total package of a canyon road and a connecting bridge across the Snake River to Clarkston has been the ideal dream, each phase is considered equally important.

#### THE BRIDGE WAS COMPLETED IN 1979

State Highway funds were appropriated for pier construction on the Redwolf Bridge back in 1971. However, it was not until 1975 that the piers were actually constructed. The bridge became operational four years later in 1979.

The Redwolf Bridge, just west of the Port of Clarkston, now links Clarkston to Whitman County and the Port of Whitman County, Wilma Site, and has become an easy by-pass for truck traffic trying to avoid vehicle congestion in the Clarkston and Lewiston area. The construction of the bridge has had a great economic impact on the area from the standpoint of new jobs created by firms who have and will take advantage of the new convenience.

#### FUTURE OF STEPTOE ROAD UNCLEAR

The future of the Steptoe Canyon Road is unclear at the present. Washington State Department of Transportation officials commented that even though the road has been proposed as a state route, no funds for its construction have been budgeted through 1985. One official remarked that industrial growth in the area could have an impact on the road's eventual construction. The Steptoe Canyon Road proposal calls for the 12 to 14 mile road to interconnect with State Highway 195 close to Union Town, Washington.

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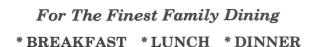


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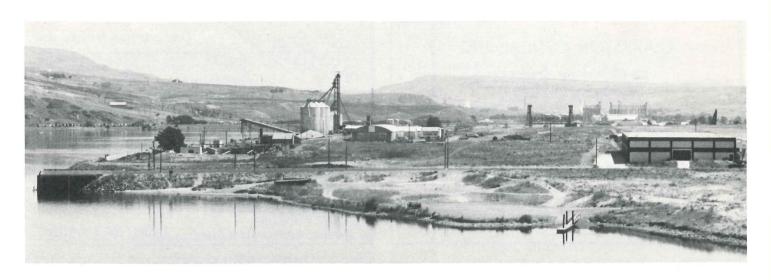
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### Port of Clarkston

As harsh and wild as the Snake River is, it has met its match with man and his ingenuity. With no intent to strangle the River into submission, but to change its intent and increase its usefulness for future generations, man has not changed its course, but controlled its flow. And in controlling its flow a host of benefits have been derived — recreation, reclamation, irrigation, flood control, wildlife conservation, hydroelectric power and NAVIGATION.

Navigation is what the Port of Clarkston is all about. The paddle wheeler of the 1800's was at times no match for the roaring Snake River and they became a part of history. The dam projects on the lower Snake formed the slackwaters providing a waterway from the Pacific Ocean to Clarkston making it the most inland Port in Washington.

The voters of Asotin County created the Port of Clarkston in 1958. And what seemed like an endless wait, in 1975 the slackwater came to Clarkston when the last of the dams and locks on the lower Snake were finished. This was the Lower

Granite Lock and Dam some 35 miles downstream from Clarkston.

The first containerized shipment from the area departed from the Port of Clarkston destined for Japan during September of 1975. Since that time, containerized peas for Europe and paper products for Japan have been shipped from the Port. The Port expects to begin shipping wood products on a scheduled basis after August of 1981.

Agriculture is the leading source of income in the region followed by timber and forest products. The Port plays an important roll in the low cost shipment of these products. With the expansion of the Clarkston Grain Terminal on Port land, more storage and shipments of wheat will be possible. Grain shipments from the terminal increased sharply from 1977 through 1979. During 1977 slightly over 75,000 tons were shipped and by 1979 it had risen to 380,045 tons. The 1980 figures were down slightly. The Port is operating with a precast steel reinforced concrete dock 130 feet in length. In July of 1980, construction was started on a 50 by 94 foot solid fill heavy lift pile cell for lift-on lift-off barge loading facility. The pile was completed in June of 1981. To the

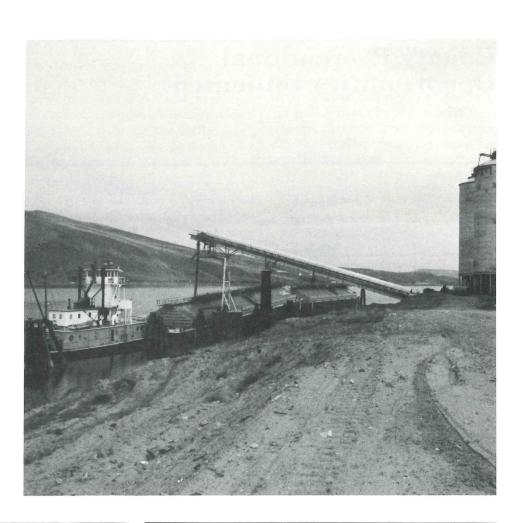


east of the new pile cell is an excavated barge slip for easier loading and unloading. The slip nearly doubled the barge tie-up area available at the Port of Clarkston.

Sites are available for long-term lease to qualified industries. The Port includes 120 acres of prime land for commercial and industrial development, with a deep water frontage of about 6,000 feet in length. Two of the newest facilities to be located at the Port were a truck repair shop and a wood chip plant.

And so as the pendulum has swung from the stern wheelers to barges to railroads and now back again to barges, a new feeling of economic brightness is in the air. The continued drive of man to produce more, build it better and market it more profitably stirs the imagination of those who are looking to Clarkston for their possible industrial site. Opportunity is awaiting the businessman and entrepreneur.

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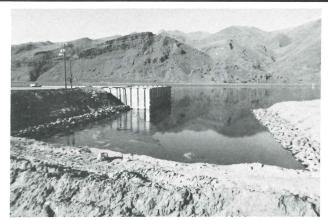
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center of a vast recreation land for the permanent residents. Here is a town that boasts of more warm, balmy days of sunshine than almost any other place in Washington, Clarkston offers year-round golfing to both local residents and to snowbound golfers just a few miles away. Swollow's Nest is a 9-hole public course. Located near the shore of the Snake River is Clarkston's other golf course, the Clarkston Golf and Country Club. This private club offers 18-holes of golf, a swimming pool and tennis court.

Inside the city limits are many opportunities for fun and relaxation. With four city parks, there is plenty of room for a ball game, a picnic or a family get together. Beachview Park has an outdoor pool, a wading pool for the youngsters, playground and a picnic area. Additional facilities at other city parks include ballparks, horseshoe pits, beach areas and water access to mention just a few. If your sport is tennis, you can play at any one of five facilities throughout



the city. An extensive bike path has been constructed along the eastern edge of the city by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. You can ride adjacent to the Snake River from the Corps of Engineers' resource office to Chief Looking Glass Park near Asotin. The Asotin County Historical Museum is located in Asotin about five miles upstream from Clarkston.

Go in any direction — a walk to the beautiful sandy beaches, a car ride to the mountains or a river boat ride south, east or west and you are having the time of your life. Bounding with rich Indian lore and legend you can enjoy many Indian celebrations throughout the area every summer.

Fishing for the fighting steelhead is an adventure in itself and hundreds of thousands of them make their way from the Pacific Ocean to spawn in the local rivers. At Orofino, Idaho, some 40 miles east on Highway 12, the Dworshak National Fish Hatchery is the largest steelhead trout hatchery in the world, with one objective in mind — to keep producing the species to satisfy the fishermen.

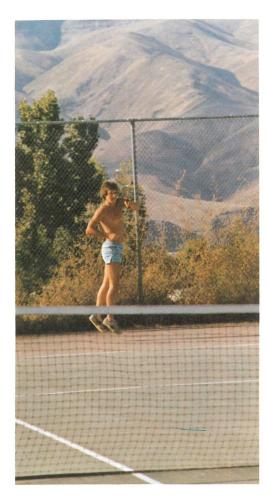
Sturgeon may be caught downriver from the Interstate Bridge and only those between three feet and six feet are kept. Other species are Chinook salmon, bass, crappie, channel cat, mud cat and trout.

If it is raw, heart pounding excitement one desires, then a trip with an experienced river pilot from one of several river excursion companies can provide that thrill through the Hells Canyon of the Snake River. Several types of trips are available and in addition to spectacular scenery, one will see old gold mine sites, white water rapids, exposed lava flows, wildlife and Indian writings. The trip and scenery are a once in a lifetime experience that will never be forgotten.

Hunting includes deer, elk, pheasant, grouse, chucker and many other species. Chief Timothy State Park, located on Silcott Island, is the newest of the area's parks. The park is only seven miles downstream from Clarkston and like the other state



and national parks in the area, it provides a wide variety of accommodations and activities for visitors. Included in Chief Timothy State Park are a bath house, two boat launching ramps, 25 boat trailer parking spaces, 83 camp sites, 39 picnic areas, 2,000 feet of beach area and nearly  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles of roads.

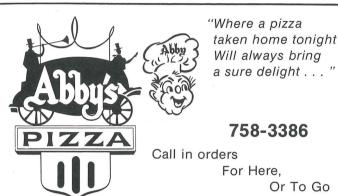






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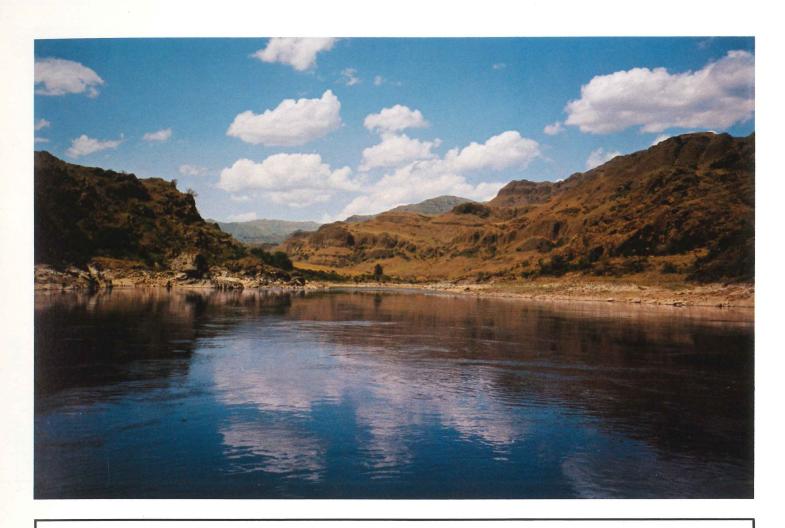
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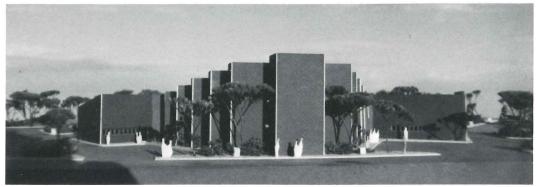
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